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SUMMARY

Independence Public Media of Philadelphia, Inc. ("Independence") and NBC Telemundo License Co. ("NBC Telemundo") hereby request that the Commission review the Media Bureau's June 8, 2005 *Report and Order* rejecting the negotiated channel arrangement ("NCA") between Independence and NBC Telemundo.

Pursuant to the Commission's encouragement, Independence and NBC Telemundo negotiated an agreement that furthers the Commission's goals for the digital transition by resolving difficult channel assignment issues. In addition, the NCA serves the public interest by providing in-kind technical support to an independent, noncommercial educational broadcaster that provides programming targeted to minority and ethnic groups in the Philadelphia area.

Despite the public interest benefits offered by the NCA, the Media Bureau rejected it. The Bureau's decision protects the future interests of ABC, Inc., a licensee that had the opportunity to participate in an NCA with Independence but chose not to do so. The decision also places NBC Telemundo, the holder of an out-of-core DTV channel and a severely restricted and compromised analog channel, in an untenable position.

By rejecting the NCA, the Bureau not only rewards ABC for its unwillingness to negotiate and its efforts to derail the agreement that NBC Telemundo was willing to negotiate, but also deprives Independence of valuable benefits critical for its continued service to the public. It also adversely affects the channel election rights of NBC Telemundo, restricts its options, and creates a situation in which more stations face continued post-transition uncertainty.

In the interest of resolving a difficult channel assignment issue, and providing a noncommercial educational broadcaster with much-needed services, Independence and NBC Telemundo urge the Commission to reverse the Bureau and approve their NCA.

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Independence Public Media of Philadelphia, Inc. ("Independence") and NBC Telemundo License Co. ("NBC Telemundo"), by their attorneys, hereby submit this Application for Review of the June 8, 2005 *Report and Order* of the Media Bureau rejecting the negotiated channel arrangement ("NCA") between Independence and NBC Telemundo.¹

One of the Commission's highest priorities has been the prompt resolution of the nation's transition to digital television. In several different contexts, the Commission has encouraged parties to negotiate resolutions to issues created by the digital transition and has attempted to resolve any remaining uncertainty as quickly as possible. The NCA entered into between Independence and NBC Telemundo with respect to their Philadelphia television stations serves the public interest and the Commission's goals for the digital transition by resolving difficult channel assignment issues through a negotiated agreement, as the Commission encouraged parties to do in its Second DTV Periodic Review Report and Order, 19 FCC Rcd 18279 (2004) ("Second Report & Order"). In addition, the NCA provides much-needed support to a

¹ Negotiated Channel Election Arrangements, *Report and Order*, DA 05-1619, paras. 14-16; 25 (released June 8, 2005)("Bureau Order").

deserving, independent noncommercial educational broadcaster that provides unique, locally-oriented programming which serves a variety of under-served audiences, including minority and ethnic groups, in the nation's fourth-largest Designated Market Area ("DMA").

Despite the substantial public interest benefits offered by the NCA, the Media Bureau rejected it for reasons that cannot be sustained. In so doing, the Bureau has unfairly and improperly favored one station in the Philadelphia DMA, licensed to ABC, Inc. ("ABC"), to the detriment of the stations licensed to Independence and NBC Telemundo, as well as the viewing public. Accordingly, Independence and NBC Telemundo submit this Application for Review of the *Bureau Order* and urge the Commission to reverse the *Bureau Order* and approve the NCA.

I. BACKGROUND

Independence is the licensee of noncommercial educational TV station WYBE, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, NTSC channel 35 and DTV channel 34. NBC Telemundo is the licensee of TV station WCAU, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, NTSC channel 10 and DTV channel 67. ABC is the licensee of WPVI-TV, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, NTSC channel 6 and DTV channel 64.

Because both of Independence's channels are in-core, and both NBC Telemundo and ABC have out-of-core DTV channels for their stations, Independence, through intermediary BIA Capital Strategies, LLC, sent letters to both ABC and NBC Telemundo on January 24, 2005, to inquire as to the interest of either to enter into an NCA. Only NBC Telemundo expressed interest in an agreement. On February 10, 2005, Independence and NBC Telemundo entered into the NCA at issue here, which provides that Independence will operate post-transition on its current analog channel, 35, and NBC Telemundo will operate in DTV on Independence's relinquished digital channel, 34. The parties then filed their first round channel elections based on, and in conformance with, this agreement. ABC subsequently filed an objection to the digital

channel elections and NCA of Independence and NBC Telemundo.² ABC argued that the NCA would have an adverse impact on ABC's channel election rights, circumvent the Commission's public interest-based procedure for resolving channel election conflicts, undermine the public interest goals of NCAs and result in anticompetitive effects.

Independence and NBC Telemundo filed a joint reply, stating that the NCA did not adversely affect ABC's channel rights and that the NCA complies fully with the Commission's rules and policies, accomplishes the goal of facilitating the digital transition, and provides appropriate and needed assistance to a local, noncommercial educational station in the Philadelphia DMA.³

The Media Bureau rejected the NCA in the *Bureau Order* at issue here. The Bureau agreed with ABC that the NCA would have an adverse impact on ABC's channel election rights. Although ABC has no claim to either of Independence's channels, the Bureau stated: "Licensees such as ABC, which have an out-of-core channel and a low VHF channel which has been released . . . have second round election rights to all channels remaining after completion of the first round. The NCA between Independence and NBC, which removes one of Independence's channels from the pool of channels available for round two selectors, clearly has an adverse impact on ABC." The Bureau also noted that its engineering analysis indicated that Independence's proposed digital operation on channel 35 would result in interference to two other protected DTV stations. 5

² Objection of ABC, Inc. (filed March 15, 2005) ("ABC Objection").

³ Joint Reply to Objection of ABC, Inc. (filed March 22, 2005) ("Joint Reply").

⁴ Bureau Order at para. 16.

⁵ *Id*.

The *Bureau Order*, while protecting ABC's future interests, ignores the interests of Independence and NBC Telemundo and fails to recognize the substantial public interest benefits of this NCA. The *Bureau Order* also improperly relies on interference concerns as a basis for rejecting the NCA. Accordingly, Independence and NBC Telemundo respectfully request that the Commission review and reverse the *Bureau Order*, approve the NCA between Independence and NBC Telemundo, and accept Independence's proposed technical amendment.

II. THE BUREAU ORDER, BY ENABLING A SINGLE STATION TO DERAIL ANY EFFORT AT A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION, FAILS TO RECOGNIZE OR ADDRESS THE IMPOSSIBLE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT PRIOR COMMISSION ACTIONS HAVE IMPOSED ON PHILADELPHIA VIEWERS AND NBC TELEMUNDO.

One of the Commission's highest priorities has been the prompt resolution of the nation's transition to digital television. In several different contexts, the Commission has encouraged parties to negotiate resolutions to issues created by the digital transition and has attempted to resolve any remaining uncertainty as quickly as possible. Yet the *Bureau Order* has instead exacerbated uncertainty relating to the digital transition and threatens the ultimate loss of NBC network service to millions of viewers in the nation's fourth largest television market.

WCAU, the NBC owned and operated station in Philadelphia, cannot utilize either of its current channel allotments post-transition and continue to serve the station's existing analog viewers. While the *Bureau Order* recognizes the concerns of ABC and ultimately favors ABC by rejecting the NCA, it fails to recognize or address the even more untenable position of the NBC station serving Philadelphia. As noted in the *Bureau Order*, the Commission has allotted WPVI-TV an out-of-core DTV channel and the station currently broadcasts in analog on a low

VHF channel that ABC voluntarily has released in order to participate in the second round of DTV elections.⁶

NBC Telemundo also has an out-of-core DTV channel, and its analog channel, 10, has been severely compromised by past Commission actions to the point of being unable even to approach the extent of WCAU's long-established service areas post-transition. First, the Commission authorized (over NBC Telemundo's objections) nearby WHTM-DT, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, to change its digital channel from 57 to 10.7 WHTM-DT has since been constructed, maximized, and licensed on channel 10. Second, the Commission approved the maximization of facilities of WBPH-DT on channel 9, in nearby Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. As a result, a WCAU that tries to operate on channel 10 post-transition would have to operate with such low power that millions of its current viewers would no longer receive its signal.⁸

Thus, unlike ABC, NBC Telemundo does not have the option of selecting its current analog channel for WCAU's permanent DTV operations. Indeed, based on the Engineering Statement of Hammett & Edison attached hereto ("Engineering Statement"), use of channel 10 would reduce WCAU-DT's coverage to less than 60 percent of the NBC-affiliated station's established analog population coverage based on the threshold signal coverage level of 36 dBu. That replication percentage is substantially worse than the level of replication deemed as minimally acceptable by the Commission in order to retain signal interference protection. It is likewise far worse than the loss of service allowed by the FCC as a result of interference from a

⁶ Bureau Order at para. 15.

⁷ Amendment of Section 73.622(b), Table of Allotments, Digital Television Broadcast Stations (Harrisburg, Pennsylvania), 17 FCC Rcd 22673 (Media Bureau, 2002).

⁸ Joint Reply at 2-3. A licensee allotted an out-of-core DTV channel may agree to accept interference on an in-core channel only so long as it is still able to serve all of its community of license. Second Report and Order at para. 55.

⁹ Second Report & Order at para. 78.

round one channel election, whereby any new interference greater than 0.1 percent of a station's service area resulted in Commission rejection. Worse yet, service for viewers relying on indoor antennas would be available on channel 10 to less than 1 percent of the population of the Philadelphia market.¹⁰

To prevent this devastating loss of over-the-air network service, NBC Telemundo took it upon itself to identify another possible digital channel and negotiated an agreement with Independence to use that channel. In so doing, NBC Telemundo devised a market-based solution to its digital channel dilemma, just as the Commission has encouraged parties to do, that has the added public interest benefit of assisting a noncommercial educational station in making the transition to full digital broadcasting and offering additional programming services to underserved viewers in the Philadelphia DMA. The Bureau, however, has arbitrarily and capriciously rejected that solution in favor of one station – WPVI-TV.

ABC, in contrast, has offered no evidence whatsoever that it cannot operate digitally on its analog channel 6 or even that such operation would be impaired. Instead, ABC has simply offered the bare assertion that because of the "well-known issues surrounding the suitability of channel 6 . . . , ABC was compelled to forego making a channel election for WPVI-DT in round one "11 ABC's only support for this assertion is a citation to a footnote in the Second Report & Order, where the Commission stated: "Some commenters contend that in some cases low VHF channels may not offer licensees the ability to provide the best DTV service to the public Although the data are incomplete at this time, we are persuaded that low VHF licensees

¹⁰ Engineering Statement at 2.

¹¹ ABC Objection at 2.

should be afforded an additional opportunity to find a channel that may better serve the public." Nothing in this statement "compelled" ABC to forego making a channel election in round one. Indeed, the *Second Report and Order* gave ABC two viable options; relinquish channel 6 in round one and be treated as a two-out-of-core licensee or elect channel 6 and be given another opportunity in round three to elect another channel. NBC Telemundo did not have the latter option, despite its inability to use its analog channel 10 for its digital channel. Nothing in the record indicates that ABC would not be able to serve more people operating digitally on channel 6 than NBC Telemundo would be able to serve operating on its severely comprised analog channel 10. Accordingly, the Bureau had no evidence on which to base a decision that ABC would not be able to offer acceptable DTV service on channel 6. Accordingly, to elevate ABC's private interest above the public interest, and the interests of Independence and NBC Telemundo.

The *Bureau Order* also undermines the Commission's preferred method of resolving channel issues – market-based solutions, freely negotiated among interested parties – and ignores the channel election rights of NBC Telemundo. The Commission encouraged the use of NCAs because of the "beneficial results for the marketplace and consumers," while stating that it also would consider "the effect on the channel election rights of, and interference impact on, any licensee not a party to the negotiated channel election agreement." The Bureau's interpretation of channel election rights, however, includes not only a station's designated NTSC and DTV channels but also any possible future preferences that are not elected in the first round, and it therefore rejected this NCA in order to protect its expansive and unjustified view of ABC's future channel election rights. Indeed, under the theory advanced by ABC, any station in any

¹² Second Report & Order, n. 129 (emphasis added).

¹³ Second Report & Order at para. 45.

market could have blocked an NCA simply by claiming a preference for a channel allotment involved in the NCA.

NBC Telemundo is not aware of any other station in the Philadelphia DMA facing the acute digital dilemma faced by NBC Telemundo. Instead of the obvious merits of NBC Telemundo's attempts at a negotiated solution, however, the Bureau's action creates a conflict for the second round of elections, which is precisely what NCAs and the channel election process are meant to avoid.¹⁴

III. THE PUBLIC INTEREST IS SERVED BY APPROVING THE NCA.

In addition to ignoring the channel election rights of NBC Telemundo, the *Bureau Order* ignores the substantial public interest benefits of this NCA. WYBE is an independent, noncommercial broadcast station that serves a variety of minority and ethnic groups in the fourth largest DMA. The station is not affiliated with PBS, but instead seeks to serve its racially and ethnically diverse audience by offering substantial amounts of locally-produced programming addressed to the special needs and interests of this audience.

Independence was founded by local citizens who saw a need for wider range of media options in the Philadelphia market. These citizens included filmmakers and other members of the creative community who devised a unique programming strategy which addressed the needs of Philadelphia's diverse communities through acquired and locally-produced programs in a variety of languages, encouraging communication and understanding among racial, religious, ethnic, and gender groups. WYBE occupies a unique position in the Philadelphia community; it dedicates a large portion of its daily schedule to international news, dramas from Europe and

¹⁴ See Second Periodic Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion To Digital Television, Order Granting Further Extension of Time, 20 FCC Red 1555, para. 2 (2005), noting that NCAs will "streamline the channel election process by reducing the overall number of interference conflicts requiring resolution."

Asia, and specials for the Latino and African American communities. The station broadcasts programs in 11 different languages.

WYBE offers programs that reach across racial, ethnic and gender barriers, providing a service to diverse and multi-cultural communities that lack representation elsewhere. The station's programming includes a daily, live, call-in series that highlights the cultures and issues of diverse communities; an independent film series featuring the work of Philadelphia filmmakers; and a locally-produced series featuring the best in independent film and video from Philadelphia and around the world. Each weeknight WYBE broadcasts four newscasts from other countries -- Germany (Deutsch Welle/in English), France (Le Journal/in French with English subtitles), Great Britain (BBC World News/in English), and Korea (in Korean). A list of programs by languages is attached hereto. In addition, WYBE is currently embarking on an effort to reach a larger audience by enriching its current schedule with additional local programming, and a parallel effort to upgrade its infrastructure and production capabilities.

WYBE is viewed by almost one million households each month. The station is also an active partner in neighborhoods, sponsoring community events, charities and festivals throughout the Philadelphia area.

Under the NCA, NBC Telemundo will provide consideration to Independence that furthers the public interest mission of WYBE. Such consideration includes equipment, including a new antenna, and technical services necessary for WYBE to transmit digitally on channel 35. The consideration also includes production equipment that will enable WYBE to provide additional noncommercial local programming, including electronic news gathering equipment which will allow WYBE to become a greater presence at community events; an engineering evaluation to assist in the identification and improvement of WYBE's picture quality; and a

promotional link to WYBE on WCAU's website, encouraging WCAU's large number of viewers and website visitors to learn more about WYBE's unique programming and community services.

These in-kind services will provide Independence with much-needed equipment, engineering, and promotional tools that are critical for WYBE's noncommercial, educational mission. Nothing could be a greater service to the public interest among Philadelphia television viewers. Therefore, the Commission should approve this NCA.

IV. THE COMMISSION'S REJECTION OF THE NCA BENEFITS NO ONE AND HARMS INDEPENDENCE AND NBC TELEMUNDO.

Although Independence notified both NBC Telemundo and ABC that Independence was willing to discuss an NCA, only NBC Telemundo attempted to resolve its untenable digital channel assignment by negotiating a channel arrangement with Independence. ABC chose not to pursue an NCA, evidently on the theory that it could release its VHF channel and obtain the channel it sought in a later round of elections. By rejecting the NCA, the Bureau does three things: (i) it rewards ABC for its unwillingness to negotiate and its efforts to derail the agreement that NBC Telemundo was willing to negotiate; (ii) it deprives Independence of valuable benefits critical for its continued service to the public; and (iii) it adversely affects the channel election rights of NBC Telemundo, restricts its options, and creates a situation in which two stations – WCAU and WPVI – will have to participate in round two, rather than just one. In fact it is likely that WCAU and WPVI will not resolve this conflict in round two and also will be participating in round three, with the Commission eventually having to find a DTV channel for one of the stations.

The Bureau's rejection of the NCA thus provides no real benefits to ABC, NBC Telemundo, the Commission or the public, and it affirmatively harms Independence and NBC Telemundo. It is very likely that NBC Telemundo and ABC both will specify Independence's released channel for permanent DTV operations, creating a similar conflict in round two; and

neither NBC Telemundo nor ABC will have incentive to settle their conflict in this round. This will force both parties to the round three, where again they will specify Independence's released channel, forcing the Commission to resolve the conflict, assigning Independence's released channel to either NBC Telemundo or ABC and selecting another channel for the other party. Because only one party can use the channel that Independence is relinquishing, and only one party was willing to negotiate an NCA for this channel, there is no reason to deprive Independence and its viewers and supporters of the negotiated benefits of this NCA.

V. THE BUREAU'S INTERFERENCE CONCERNS ARE UNFOUNDED AND ARE BASED ON AN UNANNOUNCED CHANGE IN THE COMMISSION'S INTERFERENCE-ANALYSIS SOFTWARE.

The Bureau attempted to bolster its unwarranted rejection of the NCA by claiming that WYBE operating digitally on channel 35 would cause unacceptable interference to the protected DTV channels for two television stations, WDCA and WITF-TV.¹⁶ This is incorrect. As the attached *Engineering Statement* demonstrates, the revised directional antenna pattern shown in Figure 1 fully protects these two stations. The need for the revised antenna pattern arises from an unannounced and fundamental change in the Bureau's processing software for interference analyses for which the parties must not be penalized.

Under the Commission's historical processing procedures, which the parties and their consulting engineers had every reason to believe were applicable to this technical proposal, the directional antenna pattern included with the proposed NCA would have protected these two stations. However, as explained more fully in the *Engineering Statement*, the Bureau – with no notice to the public – adopted new processing software which re-computes the baseline

¹⁵ The Commission's expectation that licensees will reach settlement agreements avoiding the necessity of having the Commission resolve their conflict after the third round of elections is unrealistic in this instance.

¹⁶ Bureau Order at para. 16.

population of protected stations where a DTV channel change is involved. The new software was only made available on the FCC's website as recently as June 14, 2005 – many months after the deadline for making round one elections had passed and with no public announcement of any sort alerting consulting engineers to this fundamental change. ¹⁷ If the Commission had published and announced its proposed new software well in advance of the round one elections, of course, the conflicts identified in the *Bureau Order* would have been avoided in the first instance, but under the new procedures, a revised directional antenna pattern is required. The antenna pattern shown in Figure 3 of the *Engineering Statement* will fully protect WDCA and WITF-TV (and all other stations that are not part of the NCA) from interference. Because the Bureau (i) departed without notice from long-established procedures for interference analysis (under which the parties' original proposal was fully compliant) and (ii) did not make the new processing software available prior to round one, it cannot now reject the NCA or the revised antenna pattern on the basis of non-existent interference. ¹⁸

Further, the Commission should not reject an NCA on the basis of purported interference to a digital channel that has not in fact been selected by a non-party station. In this case, WDCA has selected channel 20 as its final digital channel, not channel 35.

¹⁷ For the past several years, the FCC has based its determinations of so called "de minimis" interference on a reduction in the interference-free service population from a published baseline value. The data posted on June 14, 2005, show that the FCC is now considering only the change in predicted interference. When no channel change is involved from the original DTV allotment, the two methods yield the same result. However, when a channel change is involved, as is the case here, both the terrain-limited and interference-limited coverage will change, and the two methods of evaluating a change in interference lead to different conclusions. *Engineering Statement* at 2-4.

¹⁸ See Salzer v FCC, 778 F.2d 869 (DC Cir. 1985), at pp. 875-876.

VI. CONCLUSION.

For the foregoing reasons, the Commission should review and reverse the *Bureau Order*, approve the NCA between Independence and NBC Telemundo, and accept the proposed technical amendment filed by Independence.

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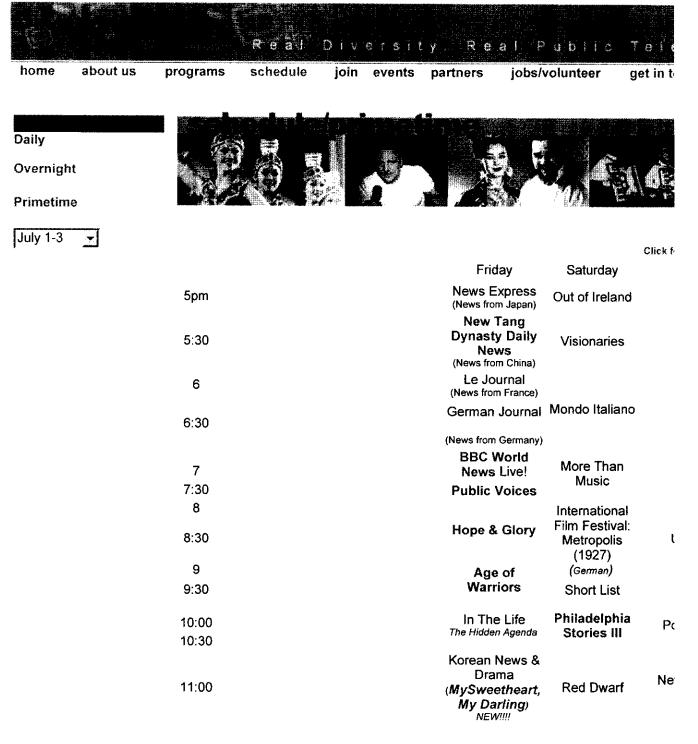
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Statement of Hammett & Edison, Inc., Consulting Engineers

The firm of Hammett & Edison, Inc., Consulting Engineers, has been retained by NBC Telemundo License Company, licensee of TV Station WCAU, Channels N10 and D67, and by Independence Public Media of Philadelphia, Inc., licensee of TV Station WYBE, Channels N35 and D34, both Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to prepare an engineering statement in support of a Joint Application for Review in connection with a Negotiated Channel Agreement between the parties.

Background

A Negotiated Channel Agreement ("NCA") between WYBE, WCAU, and WNJU¹ proposed, among other things, that WCAU would operate its post-transition DTV facilities on Channel D34 and WYBE would operate its post-transition DTV facilities on Channel D35, using a directional antenna specified as part of the NCA. In its June 8, 2005, Report and Order,² the Commission rejected the NCA for various reasons, noting that, "... our engineering analysis indicates that Independence's proposed digital operation on channel 35 would result in impermissible interference to the protected DTV channel for WDCA, channel 35 (0.3%) and WITF-TV, channel 36, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania (2.5%), stations which are not parties to the NCA."

Channel D10 is Not Suitable for DTV in Philadelphia

In Docket 87-268, the Commission decided that, while DTV operations during the transition period could be on any channel (2-69), DTV operations after the transition is complete would be only on Channels 2-51, that is the DTV "core" channel range. WCAU was allotted an out-of-core Channel 67 for use during the transition, and so must change to an in-core channel post-transition. The obvious choice, its existing NTSC Channel 10, is not suitable for several reasons. First, the FCC allotted DTV Channel 9 to WBPH-DT, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania,³ and Channel D10 to WHTM-DT, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania,⁴ both of which are close enough to Philadelphia as to preclude DTV operations on Channel D10 in that community. As shown in Figure 1, attached, WCAU-DT would require an effective radiated power ("ERP") of approximately 6.76 kilowatts to replicate its licensed DTV coverage on Channel D10. A post-transition channel conflict study shows that, at that ERP, interference from WCAU-DT as Channel D10 would result to both WBPH-DT and WHTM-DT substantially in excess of the Commission's 0.1% threshold.⁵

Report and Order, MB Docket No. 03-15, FCC 04-192, Released September 7, 2004, p. 20.



¹ Linden, New Jersey, also licensed to NBC Telemundo.

² Report and Order, Docket 03-15, Released June 8, 2005, p. 5.

Report and Order, MB Docket No. 02-81, released February 27, 2003.

Report and Order, MB Docket No. 01-208, released November 15, 2002.

Second, WCAU-DT will not be able to replicate its DTV coverage on Channel D10. As discussed above, operation of WCAU-DT on Channel D10 would result in predicted impermissible interference to two other stations. Calculations show that in order to reduce the predicted interference to an acceptable level would require a power reduction by WCAU-DT to approximately 15 watts ERP. At that ERP, the predicted coverage of WCAU-DT would fall from the FCC's Table II6 value of 7,668,684 persons (2000 U.S. Census) to 5,165,615 persons, which would obviously fail to meet its certified replication requirement. In fact, at that low power level, coverage at a signal level appropriate for indoor antenna reception (36 dBu plus 20 dB) would fall to just 58,000 persons, which is 3.8% of the population of Philadelphia and just 0.77% of the population of the Philadelphia DMA.

WPVI Can Replicate Its DTV Coverage On Its NTSC Channel

In contrast with WCAU, Station WPVI-TV, Channels N06/D64, Philadelphia, can replicate its certified DTV coverage on its NTSC Channel without causing excessive interference to other stations. As shown in Figure 2, the ERP required for WPVI-TV to replicate its permitted DTV coverage on Channel D06 is 1.73 kW. As shown, this replicated operation causes no impermissible interference to any other station.

At the replication power level, the predicted interference-free population served on Channel D06 calculates to 9,173,259 persons. The FCC's Table II coverage population for WPVI is 8,277,752 persons, so operation on Channel D06 clearly meets the certified replication requirement.

Changes in FCC Analysis Procedures

Recalculation of Baseline Populations

The technical reasons underlying the Commission's rejection of the Negotiated Channel Agreement among WCAU, WYBE, and WNJU ("NCA") were investigated. Based upon new information posted to the FCC web site on June 14, 2005, it was determined that the Commission is using new software, which re-computes the baseline population of protected stations where a DTV channel change is involved. This procedure appears contrary to Paragraphs 36-37 of the September 7, 2004, MB Docket 03-15 Report and Order (R&O), where the Commission stated:

Table of station assignment and service information. preliminary matter to the channel election process, the Media Bureau will issue a table of station assignment and service information ("table of station information") for use by TV station licensees and other interested parties so they may determine and evaluate service populations to be used by the Commission to process channel elections and create the new DTV table of

⁶ FCC Public Notice DA 04-3922, Table II, "1998 Station NTSC and DTV Replication Information," released December 21, 2004



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allotments. In developing the table of station information, the Commission will generally use the DTV and NTSC station locations and facilities authorized by license or construction permit (CP) as of October 1, 2004, a month before TV station licensees will be asked to file their Pre-Election Certification Forms. We will issue this table of station information prior to the filing of the Pre-Election Certification Forms. (We note that the Media Bureau imposed a freeze on the filing of certain TV and DTV requests for allotment or service area changes in anticipation of generating this table of station information.) The data provided in the table of station information will be based on the technical information on file in the Commission database. We will update the table of station information to reflect service areas based on certifications to build to replication or maximization facilities and any other changes to station facilities prior to the first round election date.

37. Station service evaluations based on currently authorized operations. As noted above, we will use current authorized station operations to determine and evaluate the DTV service populations in processing channel elections and creating the new DTV table of allotments. We believe that basing station service evaluations on current authorized station operations will more accurately reflect the current viewer access to station services than the parameters specified for the initial DTV Table of Allotments in 1997, and will at the same time preserve the service areas of those stations that constructed and are operating in accordance with the DTV buildout schedules. Consistent with MSTV ex parte submissions and discussions, we will define new interference as interference beyond that caused by NTSC and DTV operations, as described by the table of station information, in evaluating new interference to post-transition TV operations.

[Footnotes omitted, bolding added.]

The use of baseline populations different from those previously published by the Commission⁷ results in significant differences in the level of calculated interference.

Calculations Are Not Based on Interference-Free Service

Analysis of the data posted to the FCC web site on June 14, 2005, indicates that the FCC is not considering a reduction in <u>interference-free service</u> as the basis for determining changes in interference conditions. This is a significant departure from the procedures routinely used by the Commission in the processing of applications for new or modified DTV facilities. For the past several years, the FCC has based its determinations of so-called *de minimis* interference on a reduction in the <u>interference-free service</u> population from a published baseline value. The data posted on June 14, 2005, show that the FCC is now considering only the <u>change in predicted interference</u>. When no channel change is involved from the original DTV allotment, the two methods yield the same result. However, when a channel change is involved, as is the case here, both the terrain-limited and interference-limited coverage will change, and the two methods of evaluating a change in interference lead to different conclusions.

FCC Public Notice DA 04-3922, Table I, "Station Assignment and Service Information," released December 21, 2004.



In this case, the Commission's analysis showed that the operation proposed in the NCA resulted in impermissible interference to two stations:⁸ WDCA, Washington, DC and WITF-TV, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Analysis Software Not Available Prior to Round One Deadlines

The new software used by Commission staff to analyze post-transition channel elections and NCAs has required considerable time for study and evaluation, and its existence and details of operation were not made publicly known prior to the Round One filing deadlines. It seems inappropriate to penalize stations for relying upon long-established FCC procedures for interference analysis. If the Commission had published and announced its proposed new software well in advance of Round One, of course, the conflicts now identified would have been avoided.

Revised DA Pattern Allows Use of Channel D35 in Philadelphia

As discussed above, the Commission's changed processing procedures, which were not disclosed prior to the Round 1 filing deadlines, have resulted in an impermissible level of predicted interference to WDCA, Washington, DC and WITF-TV, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Under the Commission's historical processing procedures, the directional antenna ("DA") pattern included with the proposed NCA would have adequately protected these two stations, but under the new procedures, a different DA pattern is required. Based upon the data posted on the Commission's website on June 14, 2005, our calculations show that the DA pattern envelope shown in the attached Figure 3 will adequately protect WDCA and WITF-TV (and all other stations that are not part of the NCA) from interference under the Commission's new analysis procedures. The results of our channel conflict analysis using the proposed DA pattern are shown in the attached Figure 4.

The Commission Should Not Dismiss Channel Elections Having Conflicts Only To Non-Elected Final DTV Channels

The Commission's dismissal of the instant NCA involved interference to channels not elected by the station identified in the letter as their requested post-transition channel. For example, WDCA, Channels N20/D35, Washington, DC, elected Channel D20 as its post-transition channel; if WDCA-DT ultimately receives its elected D20, then the conflict between its allotted D35 and WYBE-DT as D35 would disappear. This channel election was known in advance of the NCA submission, and it was assumed that considerable weight would be given to that election during the NCA technical analysis. Although we realize that the Commission must keep open its options, to allow for the possibility that a station's elected channel may not ultimately be able to be accommodated, it seems reasonable to allow

⁸ Report and Order, Docket 03-15, Released June 8, 2005, op. cit.



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a "contingency" option for the case where the problem is only with a protected station's non-elected channel. The Commission should treat as contingent channel elections that only have a conflict with a DTV station's non-elected in-core DTV channel.

Alternatively, in the event of a conflict with a protected station's non-elected channel, it might be appropriate to allow an opportunity to obtain a "consent" letter from the protected station regarding its non-elected DTV channel, which would eliminate the conflict.

List of Figures

In carrying out these engineering studies, the following attached figures were prepared under my direct supervision:

- 1. Channel conflict analysis results WCAU-DT as Channel D10
- 2. Channel conflict analysis results WPVI-TV as Channel D06
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- 4. Channel conflict analysis results WYBE-DT as Channel D35.

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Channel Conflict Analysis Showing Interference from WCAU-DT as Channel D10

OET-69 Interference Analysis, 2000 Census tvstudy v3.1.1

Channel-election conflict study, in-core only, DTV protection only

Station parameters:

--Modified------ --Original-----

Azimuth pattern: replication

Orientation: 0.0

Elevation pattern: OET-69 generic OET-69 generic

Service level: 36.0 dBu 43.2 dBu

					Before			After				
Prote	ected station			Base	Pop					Change		%Chng
D09	WBPH-TV CP	BETHLEHEM,	PA	2,917	,973	-2	48,062	-8.5		189,652	6.5	15.00

	Bef	ore	After		
Interfering station		Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX
D10 WCAU LIC*	PHILADELPHIA, PA	0	0	2,354,148	437,714
D08 WICZ-TV CP	BINGHAMTON, NY	0	0	0	0
D08 WNJB CP	NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ	241,112	8,080	241,112	8,080
D09 WVER CP	RUTLAND, VT	0	0	0	0
D10 WHTM-TV LIC	HARRISBURG, PA	0	0	0	0
NO8+ WGAL LIC	LANCASTER, PA	0	0	0	0
NO8-A WP\$J-LP LIC	HAMMONTON, ETC., NJ	0	0	0	0
NO8-A WWPS-LP LIC	HAWLEY, ETC., PA	0	0	0	0
N08zA WELL-CA LIC	WILLOW GROVE, E, PA	0	0	0	0
N09+ WWOR-TV LIC	SECAUCUS, NJ	2,705,552	1,749,377	2,705,552	544,337
NO9- WSYR-TV LIC	SYRACUSE, NY	25,273	1,134	25,273	1,134
N09z WUSA LIC	WASHINGTON, DC	904,114	96,322	904,114	44,585



Channel Conflict Analysis Showing Interference from WCAU-DT as Channel D10

		Before		After	
Protected station	Base Pop	IX Change	%Base IX Ch	ange %Base	%Chng
D10 WHTM-TV GNT HARRISBURG, PA			-3.2 -4		2.96
		fore	Aft		
Interfering station			Total IX		
D10 WCAU LIC* PHILADELPHIA, PA	0	0	126,961	57,911	
D09 WBPH-TV CP BETHLEHEM, PA	0	0	0		
D10 WTNH LIC NEW HAVEN, CT	0	Ō	0	0	
D10 WVFX CP CLARKSBURG, WV	0	0	0	0	
D11 WBRE-TV CP WILKES-BARRE, PA	2,571	1,394	2,571		
N09z WUSA LIC WASHINGTON, DC	0	0	0	0	
N10+ WAVY-TV LIC PORTSMOUTH, VA	143	0	143	0	
N10+ WHEC-TV LIC ROCHESTER, NY	2,293	113	2,293	111	
N10+A WAZT-CA LIC WOODSTOCK, VA	16,874	2,073	16,874	2,073	
N10- WTAJ-TV LIC ALTOONA, PA	176,978	156,838	16,874 176,978 629	90,834	
N10- WTEN LIC ALBANY, NY N11- WBAL-TV LIC BALTIMORE, MD	629	240	4,211	2 4 0	
		Before	e 24	after	
Protected station	Page Don		%Base IX Ch		&Chng
D10 WTNH LIC NEW HAVEN, CT	5,882,578	-17,748	-0.3 -17	7,748 -0.3	0.00
	Ве	fore	Aft	er	
Interfering station	Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX	
D10 WCAU LIC* PHILADELPHIA, PA	0		31,518	0	
D10 WHTM-TV LIC HARRISBURG, PA	0	0	0	0	
D11 WWLP CP SPRINGFIELD, MA	211,923	177,592	211,923	177,592	
N09+ WWOR-TV LIC SECAUCUS, NJ	5,726	U	5,726	U	
NO9- WMUR-TV LIC MANCHESTER, NH	0	0	929,390	0	
N10+ WJAR LIC PROVIDENCE, RI	929,390	525,399	929,390	525,399	
N10- WCBB LIC AUGUSTA, ME	1,242	U	1,242	U	
N10- WTEN LIC ALBANY, NY	424,945	53,068	424,945		
N11+ WPIX LIC NEW YORK, NY	0	0	0	0	
N11-A W28CT LIC HARTFORD, CT	0	C	0	0	



Channel Conflict Analysis Showing Interference from WCAU-DT as Channel D10

Before

After

				Deloie		T CGI	
	ected station		Base Pop	IX Change	%Base IX Ch	ange %Base	
D11		WILKES-BARRE, PA					
					Aft		
	terfering statio	on	Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX	
		PHILADELPHIA, PA	0		43,629		
		HARRISBURG, PA	3.444	1.631	3,444		
D1:	1 WVPT LIC	STAUNTON, VA	0			0	
D11	ו ששו.ס כס	SDDINGSTELD MA	0			0	
D1:	2 WNYT LIC	ALBANY, NY	0			0	
N1	0+ WHEC-TV LIC	ROCHESTER, NY	0			ō	
N1	0- WTAJ-TV LIC	ALTOONA, PA	0	_	0	ō	
N1	0- WTEN LIC	ALBANY, NY	0	_) 0		
N1	1+ CHCHTV LIC	ALBANY, NY HAMILTON, ON	303				
N1	1+ WPIX LIC	NEW YORK, NY		91.748	158.974		
N1	1- WBAL-TV LTC	BALTIMORE MD	141 422	74 752	158,974 141,422	46 827	
N1	1-A W28CT LIC	BALTIMORE, MD HARTFORD, CT	0	, 1, , 32) 111,122		
N1	1z WENH-TV LIC	DIRHAM NH	0	0) 0	·=	
N1	12 WPXT LTC	DURHAM, NH PITTSBURGH, PA	3,218		=	=	
N1	12A WONO-CA LTC	SYRACUSE, ETC., NY	3,210		3,218	0	
N1	2. WRNG-TV LIC	BINGHAMTON, NY	27 725	26 868	27,725	26,868	
N1:	2z WHYY-TV LIC	WILMINGTON, DE	27,725	20,000) 27,725	20,800	
					e 7		
	ected station		Base Pop	IX Change	%Base IX Ch	nange %Base	&Chng
	A WAZT-CA LIC				0.0		
					Aft		
In	terfering station	on	Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX	
		DILLI ADDI DILLA DA					
		PHILADELPHIA, PA	0			0	
ĎΤι	0 MHIW-IA PIC	HARRISBURG, PA	0			0	
DI	0 WVFX CP	CLARKSBURG, WV STAUNTON, VA	0			0	
D1:	T MALL PTC	STAUNTON, VA	0			0	
NO:	9+L WU9CP CP	CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA WASHINGTON, DC	0			0	
NO:	9Z WUSA LIC	WASHINGTON, DC		C		0	
NI	U+ WAVY-TV LIC	PORTSMOUTH, VA	0	C		0	
		ALTOONA, PA	0	C		0	
NI	0-P MIGGE PIG	CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA SALISBURY, MD	0	C		0	
NI	O-D WIGCK CP	SALISBURY, MU		0		0	
ΝŤ	Oz WSLS-TV LIC	ROANOKE, VA	0	U	, O	0	

N10z WSLS-TV LIC ROANOKE, VA
N11nL W11AL LIC FLINTSTONE, MD
N11nL W11AZ LIC BERGTON-CRIDERS, VA



[•] Record parameters modified

Channel Conflict Analysis Showing No Interference from WPVI-DT as Channel D06

OET-69 Interference Analysis, 2000 Census tvstudy v3.2

Channel-election conflict study, in-core only, DTV protection only

Station parameters:

--Modified------ --Original------

Station: D06 WPVI-TV CP D64 WPVI-TV CP
City: PHILADELPHIA, PA PHILADELPHIA, PA
Facility ID: 8616 8616
Coordinates: N 40-02-33.0 W 75-14-33.0
W 75-14-33.0 W 75-14-33.0
Height AMSL: 456.0 m 456.0 m
Maximum ERP: 1.73 kW 500 kW

Height AMSL: 456.0 m Maximum ERP: 1.73 kW 500 kW

500 kW omnidirectional Azimuth pattern: replication

Orientation: 0.0

Elevation pattern: OET-69 generic OET-69 generic

Service level: 28.0 dBu 43.0 dBu

Warning - some records had missing or bad data:

D06 WEDY CP Re-computed DTV baseline population

				Before	€	After		
Prote	cted station		Base Pop	IX Change	%Base	IX Change	%Base	%Chng
D06	MEDA Cb	NEW HAVEN, CT	2,398,370	0	0.0	95	0.0	0.00

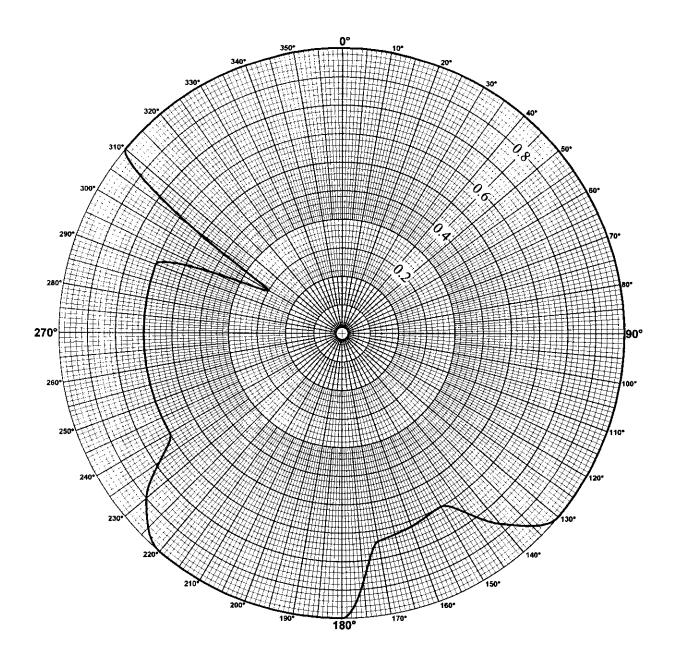
				Bef	ore	After		
Interfering station				Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX	
D06	WPVI-TV CP*	PHILADELPHIA,	PA	0	0	1,676	95	
N05+	MNYM LIC	NEW YORK, NY		0	0	0	0	
N05-	WCVB-TV LIC	BOSTON, MA		0	0	0	0	
N06+	WLNE-TV LIC	NEW BEDFORD, M	IΑ	523,460	217,034	523,460	217,034	
N06-	WCSH LIC	PORTLAND, ME		44,636	0	44,636	0	
N06z	WRGB LIC	SCHENECTADY, N	ſΥ	405,334	98,697	405,334	97,271	

• Record parameters modified



DTV Station WYBE-DT • As Channel D35 • Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Proposed Directional Antenna Relative Field Pattern





Channel Conflict Analysis Showing No Interference from WYBE-DT as Channel D35 **Using Proposed Directional Antenna Pattern**

OET-69 Interference Analysis, 2000 Census tvstudy v3.2

Channel-election conflict study, in-core only, DTV protection only

After case parameters:

--Modified----- --Original-----Orientation: 0.0

Orientation: 0.0

Elevation pattern: OET-69 generic
Service level: 40.7 dBu

OET-69 generic
40.7 dBu

				Before	e 1	After	
Protect	ed station		Base Pop	IX Change	%Base IX Ch	nange %Base	%Chng
D34 W	USA LIC	WASHINGTON, DC	7,093,111	-33,314	-0.5 -33	3,314 -0.5	0.00
			Bet	fore	Aft	er	
Inter	fering statio	on	Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX	
D35	WYBE LIC*	PHILADELPHIA, PA	0		0	0	
D33	WHUT-TV CP	WASHINGTON, DC	0	C	0	0	
D34	WJAC-TV CP	JOHNSTOWN, PA	20,417	20,226	20,417	20,226	
D34	WSET-TV CP	LYNCHBURG, VA	1,252	1,252	1,252	1,252	
D34	WYBE alot	PHILADELPHIA, PA	0	C	0	0	
D35	WDCA CP	WASHINGTON, DC	0	C	0	0	
N33+	WITF-TV LIC	HARRISBURG, PA	0	C	0	0	
N34-A	WARZ-LP CP	SMITHFIELD/SELM, NC	0	C	0	. 0	
N34nA	WQAV-LP LIC	ATLANTIC CITY, NJ	24	C	24	0	
N34z	WIVT LIC	BINGHAMTON, NY	690	475	690	475	
N35+	WRLH-TV LIC	RICHMOND, VA	0	C	0	0	



Channel Conflict Analysis Showing No Interference from WYBE-DT as Channel D35 Using Proposed Directional Antenna Pattern

				Before	· /	After		
	ected station		Base Pop	IX Change	%Base IX Ch	nange %Base	%Chng	
D35		WASHINGTON, DC						
				fore	Aft			
Int	terfering statio	on						
D3!	5 WYBE LIC*	PHILADELPHIA, PA	0	0	15,071	1,092		
D34		WASHINGTON, DC	0			-		
D34			0	0	0	0		
D3!		•	0	0	0	<u>-</u>		
D36	6 WITF-TV LIC 6 WTTG LIC	•	0 1,813	0	=	0		
	5+ WRLH-TV LIC	WASHINGTON, DC RICHMOND, VA	77 567	724	77,567	724		
	5+A WYLN-LP LIC	· ·	185	76,476 185				
	5-A WCTX-CA LIC	•			. 103	163		
	5-A WWKH-CA LIC		0	_	0	0		
	5-A WYFX-LP CP	'	0		_	0		
	5zA WBYD-CA LIC		o	0		Ō		
	6zA WPMC-CA LIC		0	0		0		
					·			
Prote	ected station				%Base IX Ch			
D35	WVIT LIC	NEW BRITAIN, CT	4,093,123	796	0.0	5,289 0.1	0.13	
					Aft	After		
	terfering statio	on	Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX		
D3:	5 WYBE LIC*	PHILADELPHIA, PA	0	0	21,409			
D34		NEW LONDON, CT	150,859	150,659	150,859	150,659		
D34		•	2,079	1,626	2,079	1,212		
D34		MERRIMACK, NH	0					
D3!			8,603		8,603			
D3!		'	67	4 27 5	67	0		
D36		ADAMS, MA	5,912	4,315	5,912 134,835	4,315		
D36	6 WNJU CP 5+A WYLN-LP LIC	LINDEN, NJ	134,835	134,835	134,835	121,403		
	5- WPME LIC	HAZLETON, PA LEWISTON, ME	1E 0E2	9 900	0 15,053	0 900		
	5zA WOBX-LP CP	SYRACUSE, NY	15,053	9,800	15,053	9,800		
	6+A W29BJ CP	BURLINGTON, NY	0	0		0		
	0112 HZ 7110 CF	DOWNTHOTOM, MI				U		
Na	6z WSBE-TV LIC	PROVIDENCE, RI	1,660	496	1,660	496		



Channel Conflict Analysis Showing No Interference from WYBE-DT as Channel D35 Using Proposed Directional Antenna Pattern

				Before	A	fter	
Protected station		Base Pop		Base IX Ch		%Chng	
		HARRISBURG, PA					0.00
			Bef	ore	Aft	er	
Interfering station		Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX		
D35		PHILADELPHIA, PA	0	0	0	0	
D35	WDCA CP	WASHINGTON, DC	0	0	0	0	
	WCDC~TV CP		0	0	0	0	
	WMGM-TV CP		6,604				
D36	WNJU CP	LINDEN, NJ	14,068	8,996	14,068 126,178	8,996	
D36	WTTG LIC	WASHINGTON, DC	126,178	118,290			
D36	WYTV CP				0		
	WYLN-LP LIC		0	0	0 11,274	0	
	WGPT CP	OAKLAND, MD	11,274		11,274		
	W29BJ CP		0			0	
N36-	WENY-TV LIC	ELMIRA, NY			8,880		
N36zA	WHSH-CA CP	ROCHESTER, NY	0	0		0	
N36ZA	WPMC-CA LIC	MAPPSVILLE, VA	0	0	0	0	
				Before	After		
Protected station		Base Pop		Base IX Ch	ange %Base	%Chng	
D36 W	MGM-TV CP	WILDWOOD, NJ	740,107		-0.5 -3	,933 -0.5	0.00
		Before		After			
Interfering station		Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX		
D35	WYBE LIC*	PHILADELPHIA, PA	0		0	0	
D36	WITF-TV LIC	HARRISBURG, PA	0		0	0	
D36		LINDEN, NJ			1,723		
D36	WTTG LIC	WASHINGTON, DC	1,017	736			
N36-		ELMIRA, NY	0		_	0	
		MAPPSVILLE, VA	0	0	-	0	
N36zA	WPMC-CA LIC	MAPPSVILLE, VA	0	0	0	0	



Channel Conflict Analysis Showing No Interference from WYBE-DT as Channel D35 **Using Proposed Directional Antenna Pattern**

		Before A			
Protected station	Base Pop	IX Change	%Base IX Ch	nange %Base	%Chng
D36 WNJU CP LINDEN, NJ	19,819,594	-25,536	-0.1 135	5,650 0.7	0.81
	Before		After		
Interfering station	Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX	
D35 WYBE LIC* PHILADELPHIA, PA D35 WVIT LIC NEW BRITAIN, CT D36 WCDC-TV CP ADAMS, MA D36 WITF-TV LIC HARRISBURG, PA D36 WMGM-TV CP WILDWOOD, NJ D36 WTTG LIC WASHINGTON, DC N35+A WYLN-LP LIC HAZLETON, PA N36+A W29BJ CP BURLINGTON, NY N36- WENY-TV LIC ELMIRA, NY	0 5,311 137,322 1,343 57,627 2,058 0 605 8,502	0 315 104,209 936 46,562 71 0 490 2,433 8,325	190,507 5,311 137,322 1,343 57,627 2,058 0 605 8,502 41,255	161,186 315 104,209 936 19,973 71 0 490 2,433 8,325	
		Before After			
Protected station	Base Pop	IX Change	%Base IX Ch	nange %Base	%Chng
D36 WTTG alot WASHINGTON, DC					
	Before		After		
Interfering station	Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX	



Channel Conflict Analysis Showing No Interference from WYBE-DT as Channel D35 Using Proposed Directional Antenna Pattern

				. A		
Protected station			IX Change	%Base IX Ch	ange %Base	
	PHILADELPHIA, PA			0.1 1		
				After		
Interfering station		Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX	
D35 WYBE LIC*	DHTLADELDHTA DA	۸	٥	0	^	
D27 WGTW-TV CP D28 WFPT LIC	PHILADELPHIA, PA BURLINGTON, NJ FREDERICK, MD	109,364	0	109,364	0	
D28 WNBC CP	NEW YORK, NY	230,918	0	230,918	0	
D29 WFME-TV LIC D31 WPPX LIC	WEST MILFORD, NJ WILMINGTON, DE	0	0	92,444 109,364 0 230,918 0	0	
D32 WPSG LIC D42 WTXF-TV CP	PHILADELPHIA, PA	1,846 0	O	1,846 0	0	
D43 WNJT LIC	TRENTON. NJ	0	0	0	0	
N27+L WEVD-LP LIC N28+A WAZF-CA LIC		0 0		0 0	0 0	
N28+A WUTH-CA CP N28n WCPB LIC	HARTFORD, CT SALISBURY, MD	0 1,236,806	0	0 1,236,806	0	
N28z WBRE-TV LIC	WILKES-BARRE, PA	110,249	0	110,249	0	
N28zA W28AJ LIC N29z WTXF-TV LIC		0 1,990,184	726,972	0 1,990,18 4	0 726,972	
N43+L W55BS CP N43z WPMT LIC	BELVIDERE, NJ	0	0	0	0	
N43zL WXNY-LP CP		0	0	0	0	
				After		
			IX Change	%Base IX Ch	ange %Base	
	ATLANTIC CITY, NJ				0 0.0	
		Before		After		
Interfering station				Total IX		
D35 WYBE LIC*	PHILADELPHIA, PA	0	0	0	0	
D34 WHPX LIC D34 WUSA LIC	NEW LONDON, CT WASHINGTON, DC	0	0		0	
D34 WYBE alot D36 WMGM-TV CP	PHILADELPHIA, PA WILDWOOD, NJ	0	0		0	
D49 WWSI LIC	ATLANTIC CITY, NJ	0	0		0	
N33zL WXSI-LP CP	CAMDEN, NJ	0	0		0	
N34+L W34DI CP N34-L W60AL CP	PORT JERVIS, NY ONANCOCK, VA	0	0		0	
N34-L WPXO-LP LIC N48- WGTW-TV LIC	EAST ORANGE, NJ	0	0	0	0	



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Channel Conflict Analysis Showing No Interference from WYBE-DT as Channel D35 Using Proposed Directional Antenna Pattern

				After	
Protected station	Base Pop	IX Change	%Base IX C	hange %Base	%Chng
N35+A WYLN-LP LIC HAZLETON, PA	63,466	0		1,888 3.0	
			Af		
Interfering station	Total IX			Unique IX	
D35 WYBE LIC* PHILADELPHIA, PA				1,888	
D31 WSWB CP SCRANTON, PA	0	•	2,000	•	
D32 WQPX CP SCRANTON, PA	0	0	_	•	
D35 WDCA CP WASHINGTON, DC	0	0			
D35 WVIT LIC NEW BRITAIN, CT	0	0	0		
D36 WITF-TV LIC HARRISBURG, PA	0	0	0	0	
D49 WNEP-TV CP SCRANTON, PA	0	0	0	0	
N35+L W35BK LIC PLAINFIELD, MA	0	0	0		
	251	251	251	134	
N35-L WNGN-LP CP TROY, NY	0	0	0	0	
N35zA WOBX-LP CP SYRACUSE, NY	0	0	0	0	
N35zL W35BU CP OCEAN CITY, MD	0	0	0	0	
N35zL W36AZ CP SUSSEX, NJ	0	0	0	0	
N35zL WNYX-LP LIC NEW YORK, NY	0	0	0	0	
				After	
Protected station	Base Pop			hange %Base	%Chng
N38-A WPHA-CA LIC PHILADELPHIA, PA					0.00
	Before		After		
	Total IX	Unique IX	Total IX	Unique IX	
D35 WYBE LIC* PHILADELPHIA, PA	0				
D31 WPPX LTC WILMINGTON DE		n	0		
D34 WYBE alot PHILADELPHIA, PA	0	0	0	ő	
D38 WJZ-TV LIC BALTIMORE, MD	6.843	1.456	6.843		
D38 WJZ-TV LIC BALTIMORE, MD D38 WWOR-TV CP SECAUCUS, NJ	6,843 157,973	25.395	6,843 157,973	25,395	
D42 WTXF-TV CP PHILADELPHIA, PA	149.795	11,830	149,795	11,830	
N38+ WSWB LIC SCRANTON, PA	0				
N38-L W38AN LIC CHAMBERSBURG, PA	0	0	-		
N38-L WHCT-LP CP HARTFORD, CT	0	0			
N38nL W38BN LIC SALISBURY, MD	0	0	0	0	
N39-A WDVB-CA LIC EDISON, NJ	0	0	0	0	

^{*} Record parameters modified

N39z WLVT-TV LIC ALLENTOWN, PA



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